

STRATEGIC DIRECTION 4: Be a leader in strengthening the economy of the Piedmont Triad and enhancing the quality of life for its citizens.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION 5: Recruit and retain students with the potential to succeed in a rigorous academic environment.

Thanks to extraordinary support, 2006-07 was a history-making year as the university achieved unprecedented campaign success. The Students First Campaign raised more than \$24 million, bringing the total contributions as of June 30 to \$80.2 million. As we move closer to our \$100 million goal, UNCG is already putting donations to work in remarkable ways.

During my 13 years as chancellor, I have been privileged to lead this magnificent institution alongside many truly outstanding individuals. One of those was Provost Emeritus Dr. Ed Uprichard, who retired on June 30 after 12 years as chief academic officer. Ed's dedicated leadership created many opportunities for UNCG that will continue to make an impact as we move toward a future of great promise.

I have immense pride in all who consider themselves champions of UNCG. Thank you for your steady and inspiring support.

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STRATEGIC DIRECTION 1: Promote excellence in teaching and learning as the highest university priority.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2: Strengthen research, scholarship and creative activity.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION 3: Become a more diverse and actively engaged community of students, faculty, staff and alumni.

UNCG is a prestigious, top-tier university where great people are making great things happen. As you'll see from the highlights listed in this annual report, our entire network of students, faculty, staff, alumni and donors came together to accomplish a great deal in 2006-07. This was the fourth year of the UNCG Plan 2003-08, the institutional planning document that charts our strategic directions and focuses our efforts to become "a diverse, student-centered research university, linking the Triad and North Carolina to the world through learning, discovery and service."

For every person wanting to be a part of our exciting story, UNCG is a place where new people, new ideas and new possibilities are always welcome. We celebrate our students and the faculty who inspire them each day. I continue to be impressed by their shared level of engagement in the learning experience.

Our students are traveling the world, serving our citizens and fueling North Carolina's workforce. They are partnering with faculty on scholarly work and innovative research aimed at improving the quality of life in meaningful ways. As evidenced by key hires and another significant increase in enrollment, UNCG is fast becoming the university of choice for many talented faculty and highly-motivated students.

Students A record enrollment of 16,636 started the year. The headcount included UNCG's largest freshman class — 2,427 students — and a total of 12,695 undergraduates, 3,137 graduate students and 804 distance learners.

The university gave 301 scholarships totaling slightly more than \$1 million for 2006-07. This included \$851,000 for 160 new and renewed scholarships in the Merit Awards Program.

Among the five largest universities in the 16-campus UNC system, UNCG again had the most diverse student body with more than 24 percent representing minority groups.

A record number of scholars, 45 juniors and seniors, earned Student Excellence Awards.

May graduate Kathleen L. Engart won a prestigious Fulbright Assistantship to teach in Germany for one year. Kathleen plans to return to the United States to teach.

A number of academic programs were recognized in the U.S. News & World Report rankings. For the 12th straight year, the School of Education ranked among the top 50 education schools in the nation. At the graduate level, the counselor education program was rated among the top ten.

A new doctoral program in communication sciences and disorders was approved for fall 2007 implementation by the UNC Board of Governors, increasing the number of doctorates offered by UNCG to 23. An MS degree in athletic training also was approved, to be implemented in fall 2008, and planning was authorized for a PhD degree in medicinal biochemistry. Furthermore, in connection with the approval for a Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering with NC A&T State, a request was submitted to the Board of Governors to plan MS and PhD degrees in nanoscience.

UNCG was again recognized as a "Best Value" and "Best Buy" in college rankings by the Princeton Review and Kiplinger's Review.

Faculty Faculty grew to 1,001 — 790 full-time and 211 part-time. Seventy-nine percent held doctorates or terminal degrees, and 50 percent were women.

The number of minority faculty members continued to grow, increasing to 113 in 2006 from 105 in fall 2005. Of that number, 47 were African-American, 40 Asian/Pacific Islander, 24 Hispanic and two American Indian.

The following faculty members were honored for teaching, research and service: Kevin Lowe, UNC Board of Governors

THE CAMPUS dedicated two N.C. Higher Education Bonds buildings — the Gatewood Studio Arts Building (introductory page, left) and the Moore Humanities and Research Administration Building (introductory page, right).

An era ended in Academic Affairs with the retirement of Dr. A. Edward Uprichard as provost on June 30. Dr. Uprichard provided visionary guidance to UNCG for 12 years. A national search for a new chief academic officer began in November 2006 and ended in May with the appointment of Dr. David H. Perrin, dean of UNCG's School of Health and Human Performance. Dr. Perrin (below) became provost July 1.



During a year-long process, the university developed plans to address campus threats such as an avian influenza pandemic or campus violence.

Donating more than \$24.1 million, alumni and friends came together in tremendous support of The Students First Campaign. Approximately \$80.2 million in gifts and pledges was raised toward the \$100 million goal. Robert and Lissa Shelley McDowell '68 gave \$3.85 million to support the Weatherspoon Art Museum and Communication Across the Curriculum and to establish the McDowell Research Center for Global IT Management. Irene Mitchell Moore made a \$2 million gift to endow graduate scholarships and to name the Beverly Cooper Moore and Irene Mitchell Moore Humanities and Research Administration Building.



The national Phi Beta Kappa Society named UNCG's Epsilon chapter as the best in the country among chapters at public universities. Thirty-four students were inducted this year.



The Division of Continual Learning's iSchool program was picked by Gov. Mike Easley to develop the state's first Virtual Early College High School for fall 2007. DCL received a Learn & Earn planning grant for the project.

Teaching Excellence Award; Roberto E. Campo and Jose A. Villalba Jr., Alumni Teaching Excellence Awards; Derek Krueger and Keith M. Erikson, Research Excellence Awards; Alexandra W. Schultheis, Welborn E. Young, Kerri D. Richardson, Pamela L. Kocher Brown, Tracy Bartlett, Heather M. Helms, Vidyaranya Gargeya and James A. Milanese, college and school-level Teaching Excellence Awards; and Eileen G. Kohlenberg, Gladys S. Bullard Award.

Faculty published 48 books and 552 refereed articles, made 1,300 presentations at professional meetings and delivered 454 public performances. Many also served as officers of national associations and organizations, including 11 who served as presidents or presidents-elect. Among the presidencies held by UNCG faculty members were the International Society for Developmental Psychobiology, the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, the Society for Applied Anthropology and the Music Teachers National Association.

Three faculty members earned Fulbright scholarships to pursue research abroad. Adrian Wurr in English, and Loren Schweningen and James Anderson in History conducted studies in Vietnam, Sweden and China, respectively.

Learning Environment Construction projects totaling \$71.7 million were completed. These included the Gove Health Center renovation, the Gatewood Building, Spring Garden Apartments, Dining Hall roof replacement, and Jackson Library chiller replacement and waterproofing. Four of the last five projects funded by the N.C. Higher Education Bonds began in 2006-07. These are renovations of the Alumni House, Brown Building, Petty Science Building and Aycock Auditorium.

Work was completed to extend wireless access to all major academic buildings and several common areas, including library spaces and outside locations. Support for the Student Laptop Initiative expanded with the opening of the Laptop Service Center in the fall, and nearly 1,200 laptop computers with pre-installed software were purchased by students.

University Libraries continued to promote teaching and learning through its expansive collection, which grew with the addition of more than 18,000 print titles, 2,500 e-books and e-journals, 7,600 government documents, and 1,000 Special Collections and archives materials.

The exhibition *Dario Robleto: Chrysanthemum Anthems*, organized by Weatherspoon Art Museum curator of exhibitions Xandra Eden, traveled to the Aldrich Art Museum and the Hunter Art Museum. Its catalogue was awarded first place for exhibition materials by the American Association of Museums.



Major speakers during the year included Rev. Joseph Lowery for Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and alumna Claudia Emerson '91 (above) for the MFA Creative Writing Program, author Jill McCorkle for Friends of the Library, sustainability expert Anthony Cortese for Earth Week, UNC President Erskine Bowles for Founders Day, and former N.C. Secretary of Cultural Resources Betty Ray McCain for the May commencement.

HEAT (Higher Education Area Transportation) provided 85,000 rides for UNCG students. A citywide bus system (below), HEAT was part of a major revision to UNCG's traffic plan for the campus and allowed UNCG to delay construction of a 500-space addition to the Oakland Avenue parking deck.



Economic Impact, Research and Service External funding for research, public service and creative work set a new record, totaling \$36 million in 264 individual awards. The total included \$23.2 million in federal funding, primarily from the U.S. Department of Education. Other grants were from private foundations, non-profit organizations, state and local governments, and business and industry sources.

Grant totals by academic unit were: School of Education, \$18.1 million, including \$15.8 million generated through the SERVE Center; College of Arts and Sciences, \$5.5 million; School of Human Environmental Sciences, \$3.7 million; School of Health and Human Performance, \$3 million; Bryan School of Business and Economics, \$813,000; School of Nursing, \$601,682; and School of Music, \$55,125

A new study estimated UNCG's total economic impact at \$1.22 billion, a figure that includes more than \$520 million in economic spinoff and nearly \$700 million in human capital development.

Students performed 57,000 hours of community service.

A Center for Research Excellence in Bioactive Food Components was approved for establishment at the North Carolina Research Campus in Kannapolis.

University facilities were made available to Eastern Guilford High School after a fire destroyed the school in November. Half

of the school's student body was relocated to the North Campus of Gateway University Research Park to attend classes through the end of the year.

Two new interdisciplinary research units were created — the Center for Geographic Studies and Health, and the Center for Creative Writing in the Arts. Two others were approved by the UNCG Board of Trustees: the Center for Research Excellence in Nanobiosciences and the McDowell Research Center for Global IT Management.

Exciting developments took place at Gateway University Research Park, the Joint Millennial Campus of UNCG and NC A&T. A news conference detailed the park's proposed development, showing the potential for a build-out of up to \$250 million over the next 20 to 25 years. The park moved ahead with a ground breaking in May for a U.S. Department of Agriculture facility on the South Campus. UNCG also began moving some of its programs to the North Campus, including all operations of the federally funded SERVE Center, which received a \$2.9 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education to conduct a four-year study of North Carolina's Learn & Earn Early College High Schools.



THE MEN'S SOCCER TEAM captured the Southern Conference tournament title and advanced to the third round in NCAA Division I tournament play for the third consecutive year. The women's team also won the conference title and advanced to the NCAA tournament. Other highlights included All-American honors in men's soccer going to Scott Jones. Both Jones and Randi Patterson earned All-Conference honors and were selected in the Major League Soccer draft. Three baseball players — Guy Welsh, Ryan Falcon and Lee Land — were selected in the Major League Baseball draft. Two other athletes went on to attain conference honors: men's basketball forward Kyle Hines (left) was named the Southern Conference Player of the Year, and men's golfer J.D. Bass won the conference individual championship. Women's and men's basketball teams completed a successful six-game tour of Italy.

University endowments grew more than 17 percent to \$183.7 million, with 892 named endowments.

UNCG's budget totaled approximately \$300 million. The state operating budget was \$201 million, up from \$172 million a year earlier, primarily due to enrollment and tuition increases as well as state funding for salary and benefit increases.